

CITY OF COSTA MESA

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From the Office of the Mayor Katrina Foley March 12, 2020

To The Costa Mesa Community:

As your Mayor, I want to assure every community member that the City of Costa Mesa is actively preparing to mitigate the Coronavirus situation. For the past month, the City of Costa Mesa has been aggressively preparing contingency plans should the situation come close to home. These bold preparatory measures will keep our City safer.

The City has been practicing health emergency mitigation measures and training in best practices for weeks, led by our City Manager, Fire Chief, and Police Chief. We have new lines of communication open with the White House, California Department of Public Health, Orange County Health Care Agency, as well as all community partners, to ensure we are on top of the evolving situation.

We are also:

- Banning all gatherings of 250 people or more;
- Reviewing all public gatherings and event venues in the City of Costa Mesa, whether private or public;
- Conducting top-to-bottom disinfectant sweeps at City facilities;
- Establishing stakeholder information networks, conferencing with Mayors of neighboring cities to share best practices;
- Disseminating information to the public through email, social media channels, and direct mail, and;
- Ensuring our public safety professionals have the personal protective equipment (PPE) and training needed to meet evolving CDC best practices, holding regular tabletop scenario trainings for senior staff leading our response

As I write this letter, I appreciate that many of you may be feeling some level of apprehension. Please understand that I and your City Council, your City leadership team, and our regional partners are doing our best to keep you safe and secure, and to mitigate the economic impact of this situation as much as possible. Further, please consider shopping on-line with our local stores and delivery options. For more information on public health guidance, please refer to:

Orange County Health Care Agency – www.ochealthinfo.com/novelcoronavirus California Department of Public Health - www.cdph.ca.gov

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – www.cdc.gov

Kind regards

Katrina Foley, City of Costa Mesa, Mayor

MAYOR Katrina Foley At Large